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LEED-ND pilot project taking root in Florida. – Czech Republic's first low-energy housing hits south Bohemia. – A British design guide for sustainable communities. – Farrelly on Australians' tidiness syndrome and the "revenge of the shiniest." – A call for the right lights Edinburgh's architecture. – Plans for a steel and glass pyramid atop an Alpine peak. – Prague's newest hotel is a real perl. – Hanoi's architectural past inspires the future. – In Miami's Design District a condo of cubes owners configure. – An Irish house that hides in plain sight. – Now design is selected, a row rises around Omagh memorial. – Britain's first vertical theme park. – New sculpture building newest addition to Yale's environmental agenda. – Mostafavi on future of Cornell's College of Architecture and the politics of change. – Gluck is outspoken as he points the way to socially responsible practice. – Gorlin on his "seamless" career. – First look at Chicago's 2016 Olympics logo.

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[Green Neighborhood Planned In So. Florida: From the grounds of Plantation's Fashion Mall, one of the country's first green communities will rise...321 North...new LEED for Neighborhood Development \[LEED-ND\] pilot program -- ADD Inc.; ID & Design International; EDAW; WET Design \[links\]](#)- NBC 6 WTVJ (Florida)

[Low-energy housing hits south Bohemia: Borová Lada project reportedly is first of its kind in the Czech Republic...The Environment Ministry has tried for years to get more eco-friendly projects jumpstarted. -- Adam Rujbr](#)- The Prague Post

[Key design guide goes on web: English Partnerships and the Housing Corporation launch new Urban Design Compendium in print and online...design guide for creating quality places that are sustainable and promote community cohesion.](#)- Building (UK)

[Neat, tick. Tidy, tick. On the brink of death, tick: ...in Sydney, a grave tidiness outbreak in the '70s turned the city from a bustling provincial town...into a glassy, refrigerated CBD...Now, the same symptomatology has struck the Rose Bay waterfront...It is all dreadfully well-intentioned...Tidy, but hideous. Revenge of the shiniest. By Elizabeth Farrelly](#)- Sydney Morning Herald

[City needs some bright ideas: It seems that when it comes to lighting up at night, Edinburgh simply can't get it right...has been blasted for "indifference" to showcasing its architecture at night...](#)- The Scotsman (UK)

[High-living Swiss plan to make a mountain out of little Matterhorn: Steel and glass €100m \(£70m\) pyramid for Alpine peak to take it above 4,000 metre mark - and attract wealthiest tourists -- Heinz Julen; Mario Botta; Herzog & de Meuron](#)- Guardian (UK)

[New jewel shines in Old Town: Shimmering Hotel Perla...practically everything in the newly opened hotel can be traced back to the gem. -- Mimolimit \[images\]](#)- The Prague Post

[Looking for future inspiration in the past: Hanoi's rich architectural heritage is providing inspiration for today's architects as the city rapidly develops...Ernest Hebrard's arrival in 1921, after which the profile of French architecture in Hanoi changed dramatically. -- Hang Vuong Huy/Archipel](#)- NhanDan (Vietnam)

[Self-made condo conversions: This condominium complex takes a bottom-up, user-generated approach to constructing residential space. -- Oppenheim Architecture & Design \[images\]](#)- Business 2.0

[An Irish House Hides in Plain Sight: This house blends in, in a way a classic pitched-roof cottage does not. -- Dominic Stevens \[images\]](#)- New York Times

[Omagh memorial in inscription row: Any new memorial to victims of the 1998 Omagh bomb must represent what really happened, relatives have said. -- Sean Hillen/Desmond Fitzgerald \[links to images\]](#)- BBC News

[Tripod promises thrills in Birmingham: Designs for Britain's first vertical theme park \[VTP200\] are backed by the leader of Birmingham City Council -- RTKL/Arup/WSP \[images\]](#)- Building (UK)

[Sculpture building opens for Architecture School: ...a landmark piece in terms of Yale's environmental agenda. -- KieranTimberlake](#)- Yale Daily News

[Mohsen Mostafavi Gives Views on College of Architecture, Art and Planning \(AAP\) Future: ...his views on the school's soon to be constructed building, the politics of change, and the future of the college. -- Koolhaas/Office of Metropolitan Architecture \(OMA\)](#)- Cornell Daily Sun

[Peter Gluck's Social Work: An outspoken architect points the way to socially responsible practice by building his own designs. \[images\]](#)- Metropolis Magazine

[ArchRecord Interview: Alexander Gorlin: ...his career has marked a "seamless" progression in scale. \[slide show, video\]](#)- Architectural Record



[New Chicago 2016 logo unveiled: Chicago's desire to land the 2016 summer Olympic Games has taken the form of a six-pointed star. -- VSA Partners \[image\]- Crain's Chicago Business](#)

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